

15. (Original) The process of claim 14, wherein said energy source is for at least one of electricity generation and heat generation.

16. (Cancel)

17. (Cancel)

18. (Cancel)

19. (Cancel)

20. (Cancel)

Remarks

The Office Action rejected claims 1-15 under 35 U.S.C § 112, first paragraph, as containing new matter and claims 16-20 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by Ainsworth et al.

Applicants have amended claim 1 to delete the phrase added by the prior Amendment. Thus, the Section 112 rejection should be withdrawn.

Applicants have cancelled claims 16-20. Thus, the Section 102 rejection should be withdrawn.

With respect to claims 1-15, it should be noted that the system utilized in the presently claimed process does not provide any means to regulate the pressure at which the process is practiced. One of ordinary skill in the art would only practice the presently claimed process at atmospheric pressure. In contrast, the Sinsworth et al. process cannot be practiced by the system since there is no means to practice the Sinsworth et al process at a pressure other than atmospheric pressure.

For the above noted reasons, claims 1-15 are not anticipated or rendered obvious by Ainsworth et al. Favorable consideration and allowance of these claims is respectfully requested.

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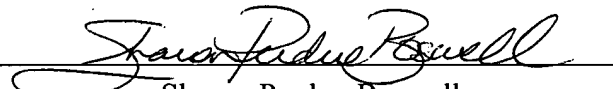
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